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## SB 2333 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII NATURE CENTER

Statement for  
Senate Committee on  
Planning and Environment  
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SB 2333 would provide funding for the Hawaii Nature Center (HNC). Our statement on this bill does not represent an institutional position of the University of Hawaii.

As a member of the professional community of the University of Hawaii involved in environmental service, research and education programs, I strongly support the efforts and activities of the Hawaii Nature Center.

The Environmental Center of the University of Hawaii serves as the Environmental Studies coordinator and advisor to students pursuing a Major Equivalent or Certificate in Environmental Studies (EVS) under the Liberal Studies Program. The requirements for the major or certificate in Environmental Studies include completion of an internship with an agency or organization with environmental direction. The Hawaii Nature Center has consistently served each year as a sponsor to our Environmental Studies students. As the coordinator of the EVS program and the student internships, I have had the opportunity to observe the educational activities at the Hawaii Nature Center and have noted the progress of the University student interns they sponsor. I have found the staff at HNC to be exceptionally competent, scientifically accurate in their presentations, and remarkably able to inspire interest, enthusiasm, and understanding to their students, be they elementary age or older. They provide outstanding guidance in environmental awareness to young people and consistently have served as exemplary mentors of the University students under their tutelage.